and I have visited many of the businesses that have chosen Idaho. Every time, Bob is delight to deal with and his effectiveness shines through. He had truly been a blessing to Idaho.

While I am saying, "thank you, Bob," I know I am not saying farewell. I know that he will still be active in the community because Bob Potter cares deeply about Idaho.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the PRE-SIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations and a treaty which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

Under the authority of the order of January 7, 2003, the Secretary of the Senate, on January 8, 2003, during the recess of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 23. An act to provide for a 5-month extension of the Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 2002 and for a transition period for individuals receiving compensation when the program under such Act ends.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following resolutions:

H. Res. 2. Resolution stating that the Senate be informed that a quorum of the House of Representatives; has assembled; that J. Dennis Hastert, a Representative from the State of Illinois, has been elected Speaker; and Jeffrey J. Trandahl, a citizen of the State of South Dakota, has been elected Clerk of the House of Representatives of the One Hundred Eight Congress.

H. Res. 3. Resolution stating that a committee of two Members be appointed by the Speaker on the part of the House of Representatives to join with a committee on the part of the Senate to notify the President of the United States that a quorum of each House has assembled and Congress is ready to receive any communication that he may be pleased to make.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 5(a)(2) of the Benjamin Franklin Tercentenary Commission Act (Public Law 107–202), the Speaker appoints the following Member of the House of Representatives to the Benjamin Franklin Tercentenary Commission: Mr. CASTLE of Delaware; and Mrs. Elise DuPoint of Rockland, Delaware.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 206 of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency prevention Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5616) and upon the recommendation of the Minority Leader, the Speaker reappoints the following member on the part of the House of Representatives to the Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention to a 2-year term: Mr. Gordon A. Marin of Roxbury, Massachusetts.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 4404(c)(2) of the Congressional Hunger Fellows Act of 2002 (Public Law 107–171), the Speaker appoints the following members on the part of the House of Representatives to the Board of Trustees of the Congressional Hunger Fellows Program for a term of 4 years: Mrs. Jo Ann Emerson of Cape Girardeau, Missouri; and Mr. David Weaver, Jr. of Lubbock, Texas.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The message further announced that the Speaker has signed the following bill:

S. 23. An act to provide for a 5-month extension of the Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 2002 and for a transition period for individuals receiving compensation when the program under such Act ends.

Under the authority of the order of January 7, 2003, the enrolled bill was signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. STEVENS) on January 8, 2003.

At 9:36 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills and joint resolutions, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 11. An act to extend the national flood insurance program.

H.R. 16. An act to authorize salary adjustments for Justices and judges of the United States for fiscal year 2003.

H.J. Res. 1. A joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2003, and for other purposes.

H.J. Res. 2. A joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2003, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 1. Concurrent resolution regarding consent to assemble outside the seat of Government.

At 10:24 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 8. Concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate:

At 2:43 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 1024(a), the Speaker appoints the following Member of the House of Representatives to the Joint Economic Committee: Mr. SAXTON of New Jersey.

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

At 4:41 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled joint resolution:

H.J. Res. 1. A joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2003, and for other purposes.

The joint resolution was signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. STEVENS).

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

H.R. 16 An act to authorize salary adjustments for Justices and judges of the United States for fiscal year 2003.

The following joint resolution was read the first time.

H.J. Res. 2. Joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2003, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on January 8, 2003, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 23. An act to provide for a 5-month extension of the Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 2002 and for a transition period for individuals receiving compensation when the program under such Act ends.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-206. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the "Report To Congress By The Secretary of Energy Regarding Programs For The Protection, Control and Accounting of Fissile Materials in the Countries of the Former Soviet Union Second Half of Fiscal Year 2002"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-207. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to Section 122 of the National Defense Authorization Act, fiscal year 2001, authorizes the use of a multiyear procurement contract for the DDG-51; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-208. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Enterprise Software Agreements" received on November 7, 2002; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-209. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting, the report of a retirement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-210. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to funding transfers in 2002 under the Authority of the Defense Appropriations Act of 1997, 2000, 2001, and 2002 and transfers made during the Fiscal Year 2002 under the Authority of the

Emergency Supplemental Act in response to the Terrorist Attacks on the United States; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-211. A communication from the National Service Officer, American Gold Star Mothers, Inc., transmitting, pursuant too law, a report relative to the CPA audit; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-212. A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to Foreign Relations Authorization Act; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-213. A communication from the Chairman, Office of the General Counsel, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Contribution Limitations and Prohibitions" received on November 12, 2002; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-214. A communication from the Chief of Staff, U.S. Trade and Development Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to a prospective funding obligation related to the Partnering for Clean Water in Asia Conference; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-215. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to a violation of the Antideficiency Act by the Department of the Navy; to the Committee on Appropriations

EC-216. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Foreign Claims Settlement Commission, Department of Justice, transmitting, the report entitled "Foreign Claims Settlement Commission's Annual Report for 2001"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations

EC-217. A communication from the Director of Governmental Affairs, Commission on International Religious Freedom, transmitting, the report relative to the human rights conditions in Afghanistan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-218. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to international agreements other than treaties entered into by the United States under the Case-Zablocki Act; to the Committee on Foreign Relations

EC-219. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, the report correcting a computation error, contained in Executive Communication 8910 of the 107th Congress, covering defense articles and services that were licensed for export under section 38 of the Arms Export Control Act during Fiscal Year 2001; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-220. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries off West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; Pacific Coast Groundfishery; Whiting Closure for the Catcher/Processor Sector; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-221. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species Fisheries 2002 Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Quota Specifications and General Category Effort Controls" received on November 7, 2002; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-222. A communication from the Attorney, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of

a rule entitled "Hazardous Materials: Retention of Shipping Papers—Response to Appeals" received on November 7, 2002; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-223. A communication from the Assistant Administrator, Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Science Advisory Board (SAB) Notice of Open Meeting November 5, 2002 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.; Wednesday, November 6, 2002 from 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Thursday, November 7, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-224. A communication from the Legal Advisory, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commissions, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of rule entitled "Amendment of Part 95 of the Commission's Rules to authorize the use of 406.025 MHz for Personal Locator Beacons (PLB)" received on November 14, 2002; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-225. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Consumer Information; Safety Rating Program for Child Restraint Systems" received on November 12, 2002; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-226. A communication from the Administrative Specialist, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulations on Safety Integration Plans Governing Railroad Consolidated, Mergers, and Acquisitions of Control" received on November 7, 2002; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-227. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Department of Transportation's Research, Development, and Technology Plan"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-228. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Federal Trade Commission Management's Report on the Final Actions for the Six-Month Period Ending March 31, 2002" received on November 7, 2002; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-229. A communication from the Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Subsonic Noise Reduction Technology"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-230. A communication from the Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to Reducing Redundant IT Infrastructure Related to Homeland Security; to the Committees on Appropriations; the Budget; Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; Armed Services; Commerce, Science, and Transportation; Environment and Public Works; Finance; and the Judiciary.

EC-231. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, the report urging Congress to adopt in an additional provision in the Defense Appropriations Bill with the authority to use up to \$150 million to support allied and indigenous forces in activities in support of U.S. forces; ordered to lie on the table.

EC-232. A communication from the Assistant Administrator, Office of Administration

and Resources Management, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the discontinuation of service in acting role for the position of Assistant Administrator for Enforcement Compliance and Assurance, received on October 15, 2002; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-233. A communication from the Assistant Administrator, Office of Administration and Resource Management, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination confirmed for the position of Assistant Administrator for Enforcement Compliance and Assurance, received on October 15, 2002; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-234. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to at KNOB NOSTER, Whiteman AFB, MO Class D and E Airspace Areas Docket NO. 02-ACE-7 [10-25-10/31]" received on November 7, 2002; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-235. A communication from the Director, National Archives and Records Administration, Information Security Oversight Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to Information Security Oversights Office's (ISOO) "Report to the President for 2001" received on December 4, 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-236. A communication from the Inspector General Liaison, National Headquarters, Selective Services System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semi-annual report in accordance with the Inspector General Act of 1978; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-237. A communication from the Chair, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Office of Inspector General Railroad Retirement Board" received on December 2, 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-238. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report to Congress, April 1, 2002-September 30, 2002, along with the classified Annex to the Semiannual Report on Intelligence-Related Oversight, received on December 16, 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-239. A communication from the President and Chief Executive Officer, Overseas Private Investment Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to the Fiscal Year 2002 activities of the agency's formal management control review program; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-240. A communication from the Director of the Peace Corps, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semiannual report of the Inspector General of the Peace Corps covering the period from April 1, 2002, through September 30, 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-241. A communication from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semiannual report of the Office of Inspector General (OIG) for the period April 1, 2002, through September 30, 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-242. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, the report of an alternative plan for locality pay increases payable to civilian Federal employees covered by the General Schedule (GS) pay system in January 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-243. A communication from the Deputy Archivist of the United States, National Archives and Records Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Official Seals" received on December 4, 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-244. A communication from the Chairman, Board of Governors, United States Postal Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report to Congress of the Inspector General and the Postal Service management response to the report for the period ending September 30, 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-245. A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Unvouchered Expenditures Report" received on December 12, 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-246. A communication from the Commissioner, Social Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Social Security Administration's (SSA) Performance and Accountability Report (PAR) for the Fiscal Year 2002, received on December 4, 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-247. A communication from the Administrator, Agency for International Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) Inspector General's Semiannual Report to the Congress (SARC) for the period ending September 30, 2002" received on December 12, 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-248. A communication from the General Counsel, National Labor Relations Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "The National Labor Relations Board Office of Inspector General has prepared its inventory of inherently governmental and commercial activities" received on December 12, 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-249. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission. transmitting, pursuant to law, the Federal Maritime Commission's Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the period April 1, 2002-September 30, 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-250. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Office of Inspector General (OIG) Semiannual Report for the period April 1, 2002, through September 30, 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-251. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Audit of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 5 C for Fiscal Years 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002, through June 30, 2002" received on December 12, 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-252. A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Making Continuing Appropriations" received on November 25, 2002; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-253. A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the appropriations report containing OMB cost estimates for P.L. 107-248, the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2003; P.L. 107-249, the Military Construction Appropriations Act, 2003; and detail on estimating differences with CBO; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-254. A communication from the Acting Deputy General Counsel, Office of Size Standards, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Business Size Standards; Adoption of Size Standards by 2002 North American Industry Classifications System for Size Standards' received on December 12, 2002; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-255. A communication from the Acting Deputy General Counsel, Office of Size Standards, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Business Investment Companies" received on December 12, 2002; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-256. A communication from the Acting Deputy General Counsel, Office of Disaster Assistance, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pre-Disaster Mitigation Loans" received on November 25, 2002; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-257. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Comprehensive Status of Exxon and Stripper Well Oil Overcharge Funds, Forty-Sixth Report Covering January 1, 2001 through March 31, 2002; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

EC-258. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "West Virginia Regulatory Program" received on December 2, 2002; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-259. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mississippi Regulatory Program" received on December 2, 2002; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-260. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Iowa Abandoned Mine Land Reclamation Plan" received on December 2, 2002; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-261. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Secretary, Fish and Wildlife and Parks, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Regulations; Areas of the National Park System Snowmobile use at Yellowstone and Grand Teton N.D." received on November 19, 2002; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-262. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to test programs regarding the transportation of household goods for members of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-263. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to activities of the Medical Informatics Advisory Committee and the coordination of development and maintenance of health care informatics systems; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-264. A communication from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Foreign Military Sales Customer Involvement" received on December 12, 2002; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-265. A communication from the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Manpower and Personnel, Department of the Navy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to the conversion of certain functions performed by Department of Defense civilian employees to the private sector; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-266. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to implementing the TRICARE Pharmacy Benefits Program (TPBP); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-267. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, the report of a retirement; to the Committee on Armed Services .

EC-268. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, the report of a retirement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-269. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to the Supplemental Appropriations Act for Further Recovery From and Response To Terrorist Attacks on the United States and the Government of Tajikstans' claimed costs for such military support; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-270. A communication from the Assistant Director for Executive and Political Personnel, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination confirmed for the position of Assistant Secretary of Defense (Reserve Affairs), received on November 13, 2002; to the Committee on Armed Services.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-1. A resolution adopted by the Legislature of Rockland County, State on New York, relative to the Younger Americans Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

RESOLUTION No. 650

Whereas, the United States Congress has introduced the Younger Americans Act (H.R. 17 and S. 1005); and

Whereas, the proposed legislation will provide assistance to mobilize and support communities throughout the nation in carrying out community-based youth development programs that ensure that all youth have access to various programs and services that build the competencies and character development needed to fully prepare them to become adults and effective citizens; and

Whereas, the proposed legislation works to ensure that all communities are able to provide programs that fulfill five core needs that all young people between the ages of ten and nineteen have, namely, ongoing relationships with caring adults, safe places with structured activities, access to services that promote healthy life styles, opportunities to acquire marketable skills and competencies, and opportunities for community service and civic participation; and

Whereas, the Younger Americans Act creates a comprehensive national youth policy, provides 5.75 billion dollars over the course of five years to support existing and future youth development programs, and gives our nation's youth a voice in decision-making; and

Whereas, the proposed legislation establishes in the Executive Office of the President of the United States the Office of National Youth Policy, a Director of that office, and the Council on National Youth Policy within the office; and

Whereas, the proposed legislation does not specify specific programs to be funded, rather, it allows communities to make these decisions and to make various programs and services available to all youth, including,